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CARL E. FISCHER SCHOOL DIRECTOR

Alex McKenzie Elected Clerk in Close Election—No Oratory Marks Deliberations of Taxpayers of the District.

Carl E. Fischer of the Fischer-Boutin Lumber company, was elected as a director for three years, and Alex McKenzie, manager of the Hampton store, was elected clerk for one year, at the annual meeting of the taxpayers of District No. 19 Monday evening.

The meeting was called to order promptly with the reading of the call for the meeting, and the report of the clerk, as published in the Monday issue of the News.

When the election of director was reached in the order of business, L. K. Page nominated Dr. J. E. Richmond and E. E. Kepner nominated Mr. Fischer. W. F. Walker and D. S. Beals were appointed tellers, and upon the poll being taken announced the result: Fischer 113; Richmond, 51. Equally without oratory, nominations for clerk were made: H. E. Walker, the incumbent was nominated by L. E. Thompson and Mr. McKenzie by Mr. Kepner. The vote was: McKenzie, 78; Walker, 72.

By this election Thomas Sikes

SIX FOOT OATS ALL READY TO HARVEST

S. J. Calkins this week cut two tons of oat and vetch hay from his one-fourth acre in the north-west part of town. He dry-plowed the land very early in the spring, and then after a rain, worked the ground down with a disc. The oats stalks were fully six feet tall and some of the vetch was nearly ten feet in length. By cultivating well and early in the spring, the crop is harvested and out of the way before the dry weather, and there will be a second crop of vetch.

becomes the chairman of the board, with Marvin Drury as a member for two years and Mr. Fischer for three years.

Re-Elect in West Springfield

R. E. Davidson was re-elected director and Mrs. R. E. Davidson was re-elected clerk of district No. 150, West Springfield, at the annual school meeting Monday, June 21. Mrs. Lotta E. Collins becomes chairman of the board for the coming year. L. Furset is the third member of the board.

The report of the clerk of the district was read, and the chairman of the board reported on the condition of the schools.

S. KLOVDAHL WILL APPEAL HIS CASE

Owner of Block on Main Street Between Mill and Second not Satisfied with Decree Requiring Him to Pay Assessment.

City Attorney Bower was yesterday notified that S. Klovdahl had perfected his appeal to the supreme court, alleging that the circuit court erred in allowing a decision that requires Mr. Klovdahl to pay the assessment for the construction of the cement sidewalk along Main street.

Several months ago the town of Springfield endeavored to enforce its lien for a delinquent assessment for the construction of the sidewalk. Mr. Klovdahl obtained a temporary injunction restraining the marshal from selling the property, but when the case came to trial, the court held that the fact that Mr. Klovdahl had appeared before the local council, while proceedings in the work were pending, and had urged that the improvement be made, constituted a bar to his objection that the proceedings had been irregular.

This will be the second case the town of Springfield has pending in the supreme court, the other being the one to test the validity of a tax levy in excess of five mills.

GRERT PRECAUTION WITH LIBERTY BELL

Southern Pacific Will Guard Well Symbol of American Liberty While on Its Way to the Exposition.

San Francisco, June 21.—The Southern Pacific Company has handed many shipments of extraordinary value since the last spike was driven in its transcontinental line in 1869, but not quite so valuable as the Liberty Bell, which it will bring into California and to the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco next month. Consequently the most elaborate precautions are being taken to insure the safe transportation of the priceless relic.

The bell will be handled on a special train. It will be under guard every moment from the time it leaves Philadelphia until it is returned there. It will be carried on a special gondola freight car, equipped with all the safety appliances necessary to enable it to be moved in a passenger train. The gondola will occupy the same position as an observation car, at the rear of the train, that the residents of the cities and towns through which it passes may view the bell. There are six other cars,

sleepers, diner, etc., these to be occupied by the exposition dignitaries, Philadelphia officials and others making up the escort committee of sixty or seventy persons.

The bell will leave Philadelphia on July 7. Safety of transportation and the population of the country traversed by the railroads determined the routing. It will pass through Chicago and Kansas City, and thence be transported to Omaha, where it will be taken in charge by the Union Pacific. The latter road will carry it through Denver and Salt Lake City to Ogden where the Oregon Short Line will assume charge and take it to Boise. From Boise, it will go to Portland; and after being on exhibition there six hours, the Southern Pacific becomes its guardian. This will be on July 15. On that day, the Southern Pacific will begin its transportation to San Francisco via the Shasta Route, the residents along which will be given an opportunity.

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CHILDREN'S DAY AT THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The following program will be given Sunday evening at 8 o'clock at the Christian church in observance of the annual Children's Day:

- Instrumental—Vernita Morrison
- Song by congregation.
- Quartet—Ethlyn Powers, Evelyn Barkman, E. E. Morrison, Harry Neet.
- Scripture reading
- Rv. E. C. Wigmore
- Prayer Rev. E. C. Wigmore
- Song Sunshine Girls
- Recitation Florence Crawford
- Dialogue Loyal Alpha Drill, "Cherry Blossoms,"
- Jewels
- Recitation Frona Wigmore
- Recitation Sunbeams
- Song, Vera Senseney, Ellen Lambert.
- Dialogue Paul Wimans
- Song, "Three Little Maids from Japan," Frona Wigmore, Lucile Lambert, Vivian Ragan.
- Recitation Marnil Newman
- Recitation Nan Hendricks
- Instrumental Golden Nelson
- The New Cable Gleaners
- Dialogue Busy Bees
- Song Five Girls
- Recitation Four Girls
- Recitation Vivian Ragan
- Song Jewels
- Offering for Missions.
- Doxology by congregation.
- Benediction.

CAMP CREEK PERSONALS

Miss Frances J. Brown has returned from Junction City where she has been visiting with friends.

Alberta and Creed Brattain from Springfield spent a few days on Camp Creek visiting friends.

Jim Kennedy from Donna is visiting with relatives in this place.

Alvia Brown of Eugene is visiting with friends here.

Dr. Bull and wife of Eugene spent Sunday with Myron Craig. Rev. Paul was not able to fulfill his appointment here Sunday on account of illness of his wife.

The school board met Monday evening and elected Walter Stephens director to take Mr. Frazer's place.

The Ladies Aid met with Mrs. David Stephens Thursday. The afternoon was spent with needlework and a chicken supper was served in the evening to the men. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. David Stephens, Mr. and Mrs. A. Jack and family, Mrs. G. F. Hartley, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Jack, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stephens, Misses Alberta Brattain, Grace Stephens, Vera Chase, Alman Jack, Charlie Stephens, Toby Stephens, Creed Brattain, Chester Stephens and Guy Stephens.

WOOD PAVEMENT UPKEEP SMALL

Cost 2-10 cents a Yard for Nine Years on Light-Traffic Street in St. Louis—Durable Even Under Heavy Travel.

Portland, Ore., June 21.—The local Forest office has just issued the following bulletin: Although wood block pavement has been in use in the United States for more than 70 years, it is only within the past five years that a more thorough knowledge of the fitness of various woods for the purpose and the proper method of laying the blocks, has developed a successful pavement.

The first wood pavement laid in this country was in New York in 1835, and for 30 years thereafter wood blocks were laid in various cities of the country, but with indifferent success and with little or no advance in methods. The chief consideration seemed to be the size and shape of the block. Little thought was given to the kind of wood used, and the blocks were neither seasoned nor treated, so that they quickly decayed. Wide joints permitted water to get under the pavement, where it was absorbed by the blocks, with the result that they swelled so that the pavement often heaved from its foundation. The edge of the blocks wore off rapidly into a corduroy condition which was not pleasant for travelers and also hindered the drainage and cleaning of the street. Finally, the foundation was usually of plank, which decayed and permitted the blocks to sink into holes and ruts.

After the failure of untreated woods, attention was turned to preservatives, but not until experiments were made and actual results obtained, was there any marked increase in the use of wood blocks for paving purposes. The size and shape of the block is no longer the important item in the development of a successful pavement. The best woods for the purpose are now known to be longleaf pine, tamarack, Norway pine, and Douglas fir, and the chief improvements are in the cushion on which the blocks rest and in the method of treatment. For example, a sand and cement "cushion" is better than a sand "cushion" under most conditions. When once properly laid, a wood block pavement is easily kept in repair, is easily cleaned, free from dust, practically noiseless, and its dark color prevents glare or the reflection of light.

Many wood block pavements have been laid under improved methods, and the results have been very satisfactory. Among the first of these was a wood block pavement laid in 1900 on Tremont street, Boston. The pavement is still in good condition. In 1899, one of the two roadways on the Rush street bridge, Chicago, was paved with creosoted blocks of longleaf pine, and the other with untreated blocks. This was a splendid test, for the traffic is very heavy across this bridge. The untreated blocks had to be removed at the end of three years, while the treated blocks were in good condition at the end of seven years and gave indications of several more years of service. They were finally removed

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Mayor Scott Paints the Glories of the Western Coast---Talks Co-operation

Address of Welcome Made at the Business Men's and Farmers' Banquet in Springfield, Saturday, June 19, 1915.

Mr. Toastmaster, Ladies and Gentleman:

We have participated in a happy gathering around these banquet tables which are the means used to express our good will toward our country friends.

We say—"Good will"—and we mean it.

Our interests are inseparable—so should be our love and regard for one another.

Oregon is a land of such productivity, that improved methods in farming and stock-raising are rather new innovations, and many people among us are slow to avail themselves of these, evidently arguing that enough is all that the word implies.

Not only do we live in a land of plenty but in a land of wondrous beauty.

Some old poet sang—"Around these fertile valleys rise The purple hills of Paradise."

But that was away back east somewhere you know.

We can easily guess this effusion was amidst surroundings that our Willamette Valley would put to shame.

It would seem Mother Nature in Creation had followed the sun path in dispensing with her mystic fingers the contents of her Horn of Plenty and had begun in the Sun rise land of the Old World.

Fearful lest her supply would run short she was niggardly with her material, till she reached the land of the Setting Sun—the Pacific Coast; and here with her course just finished and with an abundance as a result of her frugality, she had poured out on the face of our land all she had left—a richness of mountain and valley, sky and sea, chasm and waterfall that makes our land the Wonderful of Creation!

It is estimated that in Switzerland alone the tourists each year leave \$40,000,000.

We predict this will be chang-

ed some day and the Pacific Coast and Oregon will get their millions from tourist travel, where now they get their scanty thousands.

Tourists to Europe rave about the Matterhorn and the Alpine glaciers but will they ever see our magnificent mountains and glaciers or our matchless gem of scenery—Crater Lake?

We in Oregon live amidst natures profusion but we cannot fulfill the mission of our existence on plenty to eat and wear and matchless surroundings, important as all these are.

The best conditions are where a high degree of intellectuality in a community is balanced by well developed social and moral ideals. We cannot get away from this. Man is a social and spiritual being and if these are neglected our body politic is dwarfed and the whole county retrogrades.

Man's higher nature is the part of him worth while. It is the part of him that represents the consummation of world's endeavor in the centuries past. A young lawyer went to Christ once on a time and telling his master how closely he had kept the commandments was told, "one thing thou lackest," and we, if we analyze the situation thoroughly will come to the inevitable conclusion that the Master's statement to the lawyer will apply to us also "One thing we lack. What do we lack? Nothing more nor less than the social spirit, the-get-together-spirit, the unselfish open-handed do-unto others-as-we-would-be-done-by spirit, that will put a good construction on a thing if there is any chance to. That will overlook a fault in another if such is a possibility. That will live and let live.

Shall we permit mercenary considerations to interfere with what we know is right? Shall we for a few dollars dif-

ference in the aggregate so work over our plans that we shall forget to love our neighbor as ourself?

These things should be beneath us. Each little community should be a cemented whole in interest—in business—in spirit—in endeavor.

No people can prosper as they should with the social spirit undeveloped, the spiritual nature stunted, business pulled awry and purposes and support scattered.

We residents of town and city depend to a great extent on our country friends for their goodwill and support, without which we cannot thrive as we should; and if we are forgotten entirely our business would become a fit subject for the hospital or the boneyard.

In return we have many ways and means at our disposal to serve our country people and make them feel satisfied with their social and business relationships with us.

Good measure and right prices, an open and above board policy is decidedly the best in the long run.

Other speakers will no doubt amplify several of these suggestions, so we touch on them merely.

The nearness of Eugene to us is of course a real hinderance to

our business welfare, but we believe that much of the trading in Eugene is needless and expensive.

We hate to see a person spend 20 cents car fare and two hours time to make a purchase in Eugene at a saving of a nickel on the article, if in fact anything is saved on the article.

We can picture in the future, a Springfield with all these faults that pertain to us remedied.

I say in the future but it need take little or no time at all to bring about a great improvement in conditions if we are willing.

City and Country should clasp hands. Many of the things we feel might be bettered, could be bettered, if we are actuated by the right principles.

Our great concern should be to find out what is right and do it.

We welcome you our fellow townspeople to this feast of good things and good feeling because it is right you should be here and one of us.

We welcome you our country friends as well—it is your right also to be here and with apologies for what we of the town might have done but have left undone—for what we have done that might better have been left undone—we welcome you.



UNCLE SAM LIKES GOOD TOOLS

Everything that he uses should be the best, and the citizens of this great country should have the best too. We have the best line of hardware in town, and it is the best for the money that can be procured. Just see our line of hardware and tools before buying elsewhere; it will pay you.

Beaver-Herdon Hardware Company